Dear Education Finance Committee Chair Youakim and members of the Minnesota House of Representatives Education Finance Committee:

I am writing to OPPOSE the amendment to HF-1269 and ask that you strike the language on lines 19.8 through 19.11 of the original version of HF-1269 which states <u>An eligible institution must not require a faith statement during the application process or base any part of the admission decision on a student's race, creed, ethnicity, disability, gender, or sexual orientation or religious beliefs or affiliations.</u>

I request that this letter become part of the WRITTEN TESTIMONY in opposition to this amendment.

I am planning to start my college education early with PSEO next year. I intend to study biology at Northwestern in the hope of becoming a nurse practitioner in the future. Taking PSEO classes would help me to get as many credits as possible so that I would have reduced debt after college. Northwestern has one of the best nursing programs in the state. I want to take PSEO there and I plan to go there for college after I graduate from high school.

I am OPPOSED to the amendment to HF-1269 and ask that you strike the language on lines 19.8 through 19.11 of the original version of HF-1269.

Sincerely.

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